MR. N. JOHN JOSEPH (*Nominated*): ഇപ്പോൾ സ്ഥിരപ്പെട്ടതാതെ വാളണ്ടിയർമാരായിരിക്കുന്ന ആരെങ്കിലുമുണ്ടോ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): നിശ്ചയമില്ല.

Revenue and expenditure on public works in the Kartikapalli Taluk.

288. *MR. V. RAMAKRISHNA PANICKAR (*Kartikapalli II*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement showing the amounts of revenue derived from various sources from the taluk of Kartikapalli and the amounts spent on account of (i) the construction of roads including macadamising, and (ii) other public works, during the last ten years, *i. e.*, 1099 to 1108?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The time and labour involved in the collection of the information will be out of all proportion to its utility.

Grant-in-aid to London Mission Vernacular Middle Schools, District I.

289. *MR. J. M. JOSEPH (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether repeated applications have been made by the Manager of the London Mission Vernacular Middle Schools at Mailady and Thamarakulam, in District I, for grant-in-aid for the years 1106-1108, for classes newly opened;

(*b*) whether the grants have been paid;

(*c*) if not, why not?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) Applications were received.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) For want of funds.

MR. J. M. JOSEPH (*Nominated*): May I know whether any exception was made in the case of any school for grant being paid?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Since this answer was given, a certain number of complete schools, which have not been given grant-in-aid, were given grants; and for the information of the member I may say two schools have been given aid.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know whether grant has been awarded to any school subsequent to that?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): The question of giving grants depends not on the application alone. It is a matter of policy. At one time, Government may not have funds. At another time, the schools may not deserve it.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): How many schools are there which have not yet received grant-in-aid and which were started in 1106?

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MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) : Is the member asking the number of schools in 1106 or the number of schools till this time. If it is the former, I would claim notice.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*) : It is the latter.

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) : 476.

Pullan chira and Plassery chira in Vayalar East.

290. ***MR. POTTAYIL S. KRISHNA PANICKAR** (*Shertala II*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Government are aware that Pullan *chira* and Plassery *chira* in Vayalar East are systematically neglected ;

(*b*) whether the Government are aware that such neglect has caused considerable loss to the paddy cultivators of over 2,000 *paras* of paddy land enclosed within the said *chiras* ;

(*c*) whether the Government have been repeatedly approached to make provision for putting the said *chiras* with the necessary locks on a permanent basis ; and

(*d*) if the answer to part (*c*) is in the affirmative, why they have not taken up the matter yet ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) They are not maintained by Government.

(*b*) and (*c*) Representations were made in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly.

(*d*) The matter is being investigated.

Complaint against the Head Constable in charge of the Edalakudy Police Station.

291. ***MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI** (*Tovala*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there has been any complaint against Mr. M. Govinda Pillai, Head Constable in charge, Edalakudy Station, for refusing *vakalaths* being got signed by the person in his custody and

(*b*) whether there has been any instance of his doing so, even in spite of the Magistrate's orders to get the *vakalaths* signed by persons in his custody ?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*) : (*a*) and (*b*) No.

Pakuthi staff in Edappalli.

292. ***MR. T. K. ALEXANDER** (*Kunnatnad I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the names with age, caste, examination qualifications and the date of appointment in the present places of Proverthicars and Accountants of the five *pakuthies* under the Edappalli Chief ;

(*b*) whether there is any order that the *pakuthi* staff of these five *pakuthies* should have the same qualifications as those of the Government *pakuthi* staff ;

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